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**NEW ISLAND  
GOVERNMENT FORMED  
TWO NON-POLITICAL  
DEPUTIES APPOINTED**

ORANJESTAD—  
Today is exactly one  
month since M.E.P. leader  
Betico Croes told the  
Party's faction in the  
Island Government to  
resign. Betico said at the  
time that since the M.E.P.  
faction could not form  
a quorum to debate  
the proposed austerity  
measures, which unless  
taken, Aruba would sink  
it would be better for the  
government to resign.  
After almost a month of  
political uncertainty the  
ruling M.E.P. party an-

nounced during the week-  
end that a new government  
has been formed. The party  
also announced changes  
in its Island Council  
representation. The new  
Government which was  
officially appointed on  
Wednesday is comprised  
of M.E.P. members Nelson  
Oduber, John van der  
Kuyp, Frank Croes, and  
Grace Bareño, and non-  
politicals Michael Kuiperi  
and Milton Henriquez.  
Mr. Henriquez is a senior  
adviser to the Lago Empleo

Relations Department, and  
Mr. Kuiperi is the General  
Manager of S.E.L. Maduro  
& Sons-Aruba. Three  
Deputies of the previous  
M.E.P. government that  
had resigned on December  
24—Efrain de Kort, Marco  
Bisliip, and Daniel Leo h  
have not returned in the  
new government. The  
government was formed  
following two failed  
attempts by M.E.P. to  
form a so-called "na-

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**Catholic Church  
Sharply Criticizes  
General Advisor**

ORANJESTAD — The Aruba  
Catholic Church, in an open  
communicate attacking M.E.P.  
Party leader Betico Croes' dis-  
puted highly paid post of  
General Advisor to the Aruba  
government, charged here today:

"The post that no instance  
can control nor criticize is  
obstructing good functioning  
of the government of our island."  
The clergymen-officials, in

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**Dr. RORY ARENDS HEAD OF THE TOURISM OFFICE**



ORANJESTAD—Dr. Rory Arends was appointed head of the Tourism Office, following the retirement of Mr. Betty Arends. Dr. Arends is a graduate of the Institute for Tourism and Hotel Management of Salzburg, Austria. He also took training at the World Tourism Organization in Geneva.



ORANJESTAD—Construction of the Aruba Ports Authority workshop reached its highest point on Friday, January 18. The building was started in September and is expected to be finished in May. Building contractor is ALBO n.v. and UNICON is in charge of the electrical installation. The workshop which costs about 900,000 guildres will house all the necessary machinery and equipment to service the ports of Aruba.

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## Editor's Corner

### A LACK OF FORESIGHT?

To govern is to have foresight and to plan for the future. The present economic and financial crisis through which Aruba is passing could be due to the lack of that very important factor.

Dr. G. Zoutendijk Vice President of the Dutch Parliament delegation who visited Aruba recently made some very clear statements in that respect. The Dutch parliamentarian said that Aruba must not expect Dutch financial aid to close projected gaps in the island's government expenditure budget and advised that Arubans should lower their "artificially high standard of living". He said that it has become quite clear to his group that the abrupt closing of the Lago refinery will cause a "tremendous economic disaster" for Aruba, with income declining 40 percent.

"Couldn't this situation have been foreseen?", he asked critically. The outspoken Dutch envoy said the Aruba island government should have taken measures to counter the consequences "collapse of that economic pillar would have brought."

"But, instead we see careless management in government, with tremendous increases in the expenditures side and this with an inflation of 30 percent he said. After noting that for 1985 alone a 74,000,000 guilders deficit in the Aruba government expenditures budget is projected, and that in 1986 the deficit would be 174,000,000 guilders more than the entire expenditures

of 1980, Zoutendijk got to his real point. "Now Aruba expects Holland to increase annual development aid for the Netherlands Antilles to grant Aruba special budget aid. This is politically not achievable in Holland". Zoutendijk stated flatly. He said that current annual Dutch development aid for the Netherlands Antilles is at 260,000,000 guilders - an average of 1,000 guilders per capita.

"To further increase the total would be very difficult politically in Holland because we have our own financial problems", he said, adding that granting budget aid, as requested by Aruba government to close the huge budget gaps, would actually "go against the principle" of development aid by making the recipient more aid dependent. He said Holland would be willing however, to re-arrange the Dutch aid total, setting priorities on projects that create jobs "rather than non-productive projects". "What Aruba must do is drastically curb its expenditures and lower its artificially high standard of living - a living standard much higher than other islands in the region", Zoutendijk charged.

He also said Holland would be willing to assist Aruba in re-structuring its economy with technical assistance. A colleague Jan Cess Wiebenga of the same liberal faction, made the Dutch position on budget aid just as clear;

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## Village Talk



by WILLY

A fella tell Willy dat he crown he prins an' pancho fo' carnival too. He say he own is Prins "Subi Prijs" an' Pancho "Lever in".

Well what a toim! De new houses dem in de village ain't even finish yet, but Willy hear dat de lover boys an' de lover giols done tek ovah already.

Well people can tink on tings. A fella say dat dis year de car number plates dem fo' more money but more people done pay fo' de whole year dan de udder years dem.

Alyuh watch ouk, Willy hear dat it got some five gilder papers full ah hole goin' rong. De guvment say dat dey had sen' dem in Lago to burn up, but how come dey get back on de street?

A lady say dat she ain't callin' she children dem in Holland on de phone no more. She say she gotta start writin' again.

Dis melee bouk de Arabs dem buyin' Lago look to Willy loik a Arab story from 1001 nites.

A fella say dat is jus' dis year de carnival should ah pass up by de main gate to tell Lago ayooooo!

## F.T.A Publishes Book Aimed At Aruban Labor

SAN NICOLAAS — Federation di Trahadornan di Aruba labor union's Formation Center has just issued the first book of a planned collection

under the theme of "Culture for Workers." The book, "Collective Work

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## CATHOLIC CHURCH SHARPLY...

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a surprisingly harsh criticism of political turmoil on the island, said they have detected a "disgust and distrust within the Aruba community" regarding members of government which has created "such insecurity that a lot of people have taken the decision to leave Aruba."

The clergymen said they have come out in the open with criticism based on the Vatican Council II document which stipulates that "Happiness and hope, sadness and anxiety of the people of our times, especially those less fortunate, and those that suffer for any reason, are the happiness and hope, the sadness and anxiety of the disciples of Christ." The document, the clergymen said, states that the Catholic Church has the right to make and publicize moral judgment, including in the arena of political matters, when "fundamental rights of people and their spiritual well-being demands this."

The communique charges attempts to form the new island government have not taken place "in a democratic way expected by the people" of Aruba.

"In the past, they created a post which now no instance can control nor criticize.

"Such a post is not part of our democratic constellation and obstructs the good functioning of the government of our island," the clergymen said in clear but unnamed reference to the Aruba ruling Party leader's post of General Advisor to the island government.

The post was created in 1975 by Betico Croes when the M.E.P. Party came to power in the island government. Opposition parties have consistently

charged the position is not Constitutional.

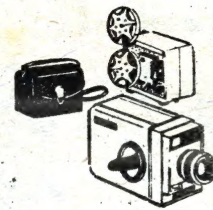
The church group said that to "eliminate feelings of disgust and regain confidence with the Aruban people," the government must "give account of its financial management during the last number of years and let accountants in-

vestigate that management as soon as possible."

The island government should also take measures to prevent corruption and "return to the original way of healthy government," stipulated by the island's Constitution, the clergy statement concluded.

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(Undoubtedly the closure of the Lago refinery is attracting world-wide attention. The following article titled "Oil Firms Abandon under-used Refineries in Caribbean, Causing hard times

for the Area" appeared in a recent issue of the highly influential wall street Journal). Big oil is leaving the Caribbean and taking a lot of the region's income with it. Of the five big

# CLOSURE OF LAGO REFINERY Attracting World-Wide Attention

BY OBSERVER

export oil refineries in the Caribbean one has announced plans to close and others may follow. One government is taking over a money-losing refinery to preserve about 3,400 jobs, and another is considering a similar move. While these are tough times for refiners everywhere, those in the Caribbean are in particularly bad shape. All are running at half their capacity or less. Most of the equipment is too inefficient to compete with their companies, more modern plants elsewhere. Worse, most were built to make heavy fuel oil for utilities and factories in the a market that has switched to cheaper and cleaner natural gas. Oil

is the biggest moneymaker for some of these islands. And that too makes it tough to operate refineries here. Several companies say they run their plants with more employees than they need because the local governments pressure them to do so! When a refinery closes in Texas or Oklahoma, a town suffers. But when Exxon Corp. shuts down its big Lago refinery on the island of Aruba next March (because it is losing \$10 million a month), its will wipe out about a quarter of the Netherlands Antilles's foreign income and Aruba's biggest moneymaker, according to Leo Chance, minister of labor and social affairs. The Antilles,

a member of the Dutch kingdom, has and independent economic policy but relies on the Netherlands for its foreign policy and defense. As if Exxon's withdrawal weren't bad enough, the Antilles may also lose another big refinery and another quarter of its income. Royal Dutch/Shell Group's huge refinery on Curacao has been losing money and laying off workers for seven years; it runs at less than half of capacity.

Things weren't always so bleak. During World War II, a major portion of the Allies fuel was made in the two refineries. A local slogan of the time read "Let Hit-

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DUTCH PARLIAMENTARIAN WIJNIE JABAAIJ ...

## THE VILLAGE PROJECT IS A KINGDOM AFFAIR



ORANJESTAD—  
Dutch parliamentarian  
Wijnie Jabaij, always

a staunch defender of the village renovation project said during her recent visit here that the project is an affair of the Dutch Kingdom and not of the island government. Before leaving for St. Maarten the Dutch lawmaker said that if the project conti-

nues she would like it to be publicly known that it would be through the untiring efforts of the leader of the P.P.A., who constantly fought for the continuation of the pro-

ject. She said that there are 1400 people living in the village. People who built Lago and by the sweat of their brow contributed to make Aruba what it is today. These people will be the first

to feel the effects of the shut down of the Lago. The continuation of the project would also mean employment for many who are presently without work the Dutch parliamentarian said.

In turn, M.E.P. leader Betico Croes said that this government has full attention for the village project. He said that his party developed the village. "I would like to get assurance from Holland that it is going to finance the project outside of the regular development aid budget as Den Uyl promised". Betico said that the project was calculated at 22 million guilders but now an additional 60 to 70 million is needed to complete it, but at the moment the government has other priorities he said.

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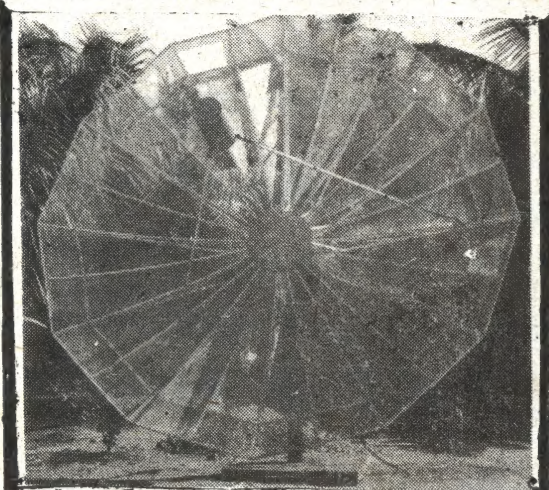
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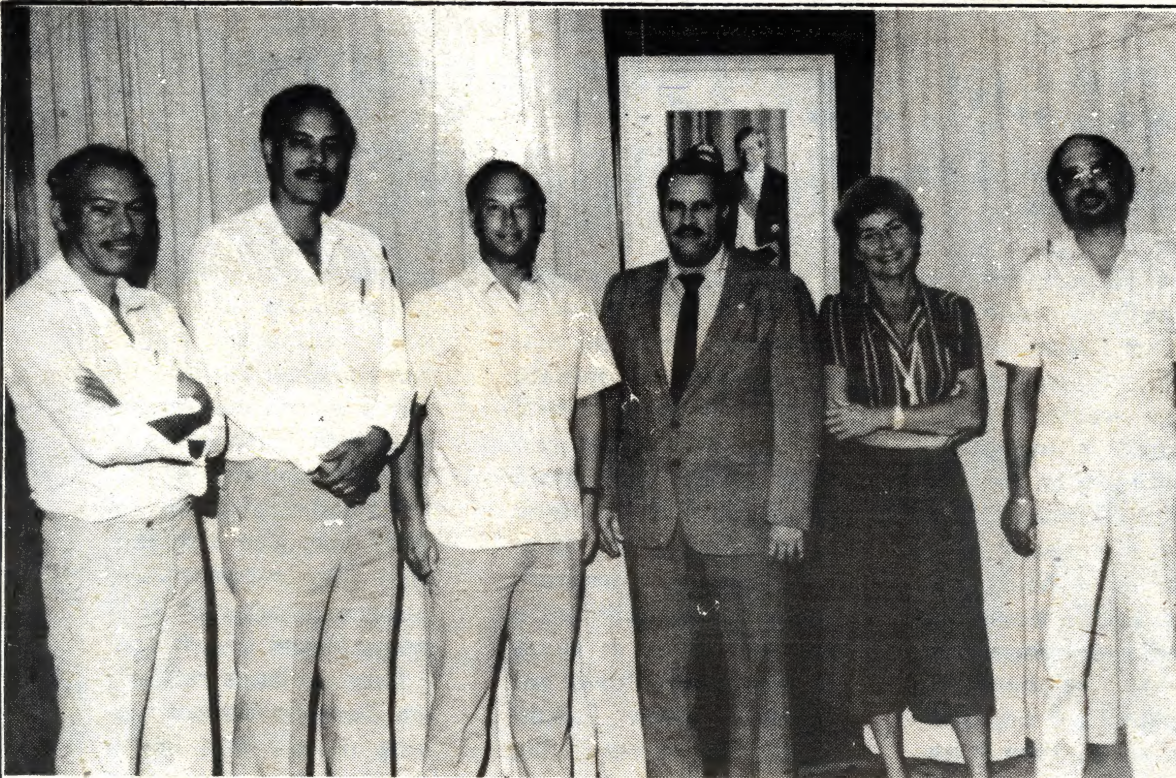
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ORANJESTAD—Representatives of the United Nations Development Program from the Trinidad office in Port of Spain visited Aruba from January 16 to 18. Mr. B. Locke and his assistant Mrs. D. Davies visited Governor Pedro Bislip accompanied by Mr. R. Trappenberg, representative of the department of Cooperation and Development of Curacao. At right is Deputy Nelson Oduber.

## Aruba's Carnival 1985 Childrens Queens



MIRLA ELIZABETH  
PASSHIER  
Sta. Cruz.



MARY LEE YAHAYRA  
NICOLAAS  
San Nicolas



### SANTA CRUZ PLANNING BIG FOR CARNAVAL 1985

STA. CRUZ—  
"Carnival Fiesta in Santa Cruz" is the name of the group from Santa Cruz which will participate in the Carnival parade on February 18. "La Nueva Fuerza" band will provide the music

for the group. Santa Cruz Youth Queen election will be held on Sunday, January 27, and the adult Queen election will be on February 3. The price of the costumes are Fls. 175 each, including everything.

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the costumes for ladies f. 125 and fls. 225 and for gents fls. 150 and fls. 185. The group will consist of about 100 persons. Interested persons should contact Mrs. Martica Arends

phone 47032, Savaneta 384. The election of the Savaneta Youth Queen will be on February 2, at the Sacred Heart Collage. Music by Triple S and La Nueva Fuerza.

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Saturday January 26, Youth Queen Election Tanki Leendert and show at R.C.A club followed by Jump Up from Tropical Field to Paradise Restaurant.

Queen and district Queen election Pos Chiquito at Kukwisa School from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. (we will continue to publish the Carnival activities from week to week in subsequent editions)

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On one of their most successful spirit hunts, the Stallings photographed a ghostly fat sailor aboard the Constellation, the old warship moored in Baltimore's Inner Harbor as a tourist attraction.

Explained Ron: "The Constellation's first captain, Thomas Truxtun, supposedly killed a sailor named Neal Harvey when the man fell asleep on watch. Harvey was blown away at the end of a cannon.

"I believe the ghost we photographed is Neal Harvey. He has actually taken tourists around the ship."

In another case, a man and his wife — both physicians — asked the Stallings to investigate ghosts in their cas-



**WHO YOU GONNA CALL?** Ron and Nancy Stallings, that's who. The couple are shown during one of their hunts.

**'Our aim is to help people learn to live with ghosts, rather than get rid of them.'**

tle-like mansion built in the 1800s.

The story was that a former owner had kept his daughter locked in the tower of the mansion after she became pregnant until she died in 1857. The ghost of the daughter, named Marga-

ret, would swing the dining-room chandelier to show her anger.

Warren Weidner, of the Evening Magazine TV show, went with the Stallings.

"It was under controlled conditions," said Weidner. "I bought the film and they loaded their cameras while our cameras filmed them.

Twelve photos were taken. One very clearly appeared to be a woman in an evening gown taken in a room that was absolutely empty. And in the dining room, Ron asked, 'Margaret, would you swing the chandelier for us?' On our video-taping equipment, we got a voice that answered, 'When?' It sounded female and was very clear.

"The Stallings prefer to do things under controlled conditions, so there's no real question of whether they've manipulated things."

And in another case, the Stallings were called in by the manager of Maryland's Point Lookout State Park to investigate ghostly happenings around the old lighthouse there. During the Civil War, the site had been used as a prisoner-of-war camp, and some 4,000 Confederate soldiers had died there.

Said Gerald Sword, who was the manager when the Stallings visited: "I was there when the film was shot and there was no one in the room but us — although we heard sounds of breathing, scratching and knocking.

"Ron took a lot of pictures — and one was of a Confederate soldier standing in the upstairs of the lighthouse."

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had been based on 15-minute intervals. That is now reduced to 5 minutes. The registered time-periods of calls from the basis of monthly bills to subscribers as do the number of calls made per month. Other increases include raising the monthly fee for use of telephones for Telex communication from 60 to 75 guilders. New fees will be charged for unlisted number changes and blocking of calls as follows: Unlisted numbers will now cost ten guilders a month extra. Changing of phone will now cost a one-time flat fee of 100 guilders. Blocking out international calls so that no international calls can be made on one phone

ORANJESTAD—The cruise Terminal was officially opened morning (Thursday) at 10 o'clock. The terminal, located on the Eman Wharf will be used to accommodate the passengers of cruise ships in the Oranjestad harbor. First to use the facility will be the passengers of the cruise ship "Fairsea" of the Sitmar Line. The ship will call

will cost five guilders a month extra. Having it blocked to forbid both outgoing international calls and inter island calls will cost ten guilders a month extra. Calls to 118 (information) and 14 (administration) formerly made free of charge will now be charged to the caller's bill.

at Aruba regularly with 900 on the "Fairsea" in Aruba passengers on a cruise which and will return to Los Angeles originates in Los Angeles; les after calling at other Caribbean ports. The first call bark here and return to Los Angeles by plane. Another with the inauguration of the 900 passengers will embark terminal.

## NEW ISLAND GOVERNMENT ...

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and Aruba Development Bank.

Michael Kuiperi; Tourism, Aruven, Airport, Aviation, Aruba Ports Authority, and Fire Department.

John van der Kuyp; Legal and General Affairs, Personnel, Education, Oil Telephone Service, Public Transport, and Aruba House in Holland.

Nel Oduber; Constitutional Affairs, D.E.C.O., Public Property, Agriculture, Cattle Breeding and

Fishery, Veterinary Service and Cocarni.

Grace Bareño; Social Care, Culture, Youth and Sport, T.A.V., Public Library, Census, and Departments of Registration and Archives.



## POLICE WOUNDED IN FIGHT

SAN NICOLAS—The police were informed Sunday afternoon that there was a fight in front of the "Cunucu" rumshop. When the police arrived on the scene they were told that it was a fami-

ly fight, but when they attempted to put an end to the disturbance the fighting family turned against the police, reportedly to avenge a member of the family who was shot by a policeman some time ago. The angry family started cursing insulting the policemen. While the police were trying to pacify the angry family one of them, a policeman identified as John Livingstone was struck on his head with a hammer by one of the fighting women. He had to be hospitalized and is said to be in serious condition. Police reinforcement had to be requested from Oranjestad and Santa Cruz. A man and a woman were arrested.

## HEATING YOUR ... Continued from page 11

Calif., added:

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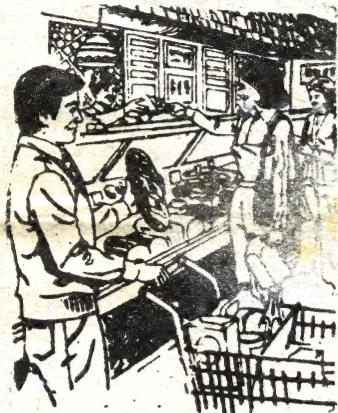
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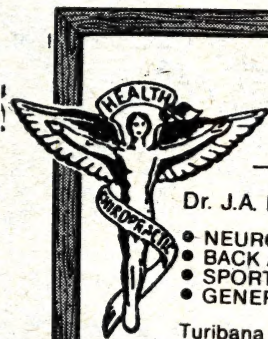
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## Caribe Club Carnival Activities

ORANJESTAD— The Carnival Committee of the Caribe Club has announced that during the dance on January 20, more carnival figures were elected. They are: Miss Anoushka Dirksz for adult Queen and Miss Flavia Lacle for Youth Queen. Mr Junior van der Weide was elected "Cacique"



ORANJESTAD—Contestants in the 18 km race organized by the I.D.E.F.R.E. on Sunday, from the Lago Sport Park in San Nicolas to the Fruit Market in Oranjestad. Winner was Mr. Anthony Owers of Curacao, in 1 hour, 3 minutes and 35 seconds. The results in the various categories are as follows:

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Agreement," by the well-known Aruba lawyer Hubert Th. Lopez, deals comprehensively with the laws of collective work

agreements and their practical applications.

The book, obtainable at a nominal charge at F.T.A.'s new headquarters here, is primarily aimed at aiding the

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An F.T.A. spokesman says the union is "very grateful to Mr. Lopez for sharing his knowledge and experience."

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# Wife-Beating Was Legal 100 Years Ago

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husband was permitted to hit his wife with a stick or

even choke her ... and in 1886 a bill to outlaw beat-

ing and mutilation of wives was voted down by Pennsylvania lawmakers.

These are just a few examples of how wife-beaters were protected in America during the last century.

"Wife-beating was regarded as almost an accepted thing — a form of discipline for the wife," Janice Moore, a project coordinator for the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, told The ENQUIRER.

"Even as recently as the early 1970s there was still a law on the books in Pennsylvania that said a husband couldn't beat his wife on Sundays or after 10 o'clock at night! In the America of the 1870s and 1880s, the attitude of a judge would be that the husband had the right to discipline his wife as he saw fit. And there wasn't much the battered wife could do except take it — and hope that she'd survive to become an old woman."

Typical of the prevalent attitude 100 years ago was the situation in North Carolina, where men had a legal right to beat their wives until 1874, according to the book, "Battered Women," edited by Maria Roy, who founded Abused Women's Aid in Crisis, Inc.

And even after the law was changed, judges often refused to hear cases of wife abuse. In one case, the court stated:

"If no permanent injury has been inflicted, nor malice nor dangerous violence shown by the husband, it is better to draw the curtain, shut out the public gaze, and leave the parties to forget and forgive."

Until 1871, Alabama and Massachusetts had laws citing man's "ancient privilege" to beat a wife with a stick, choke her, spit in her face,

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In 1886, reformers in Pennsylvania tried to outlaw wife-beating. They proposed

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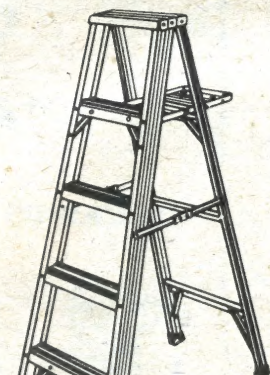
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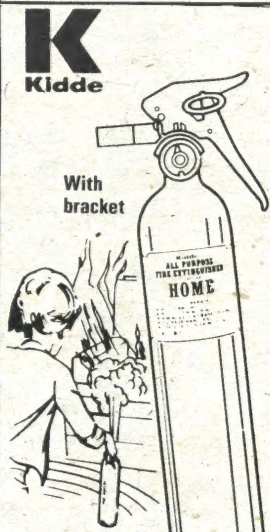


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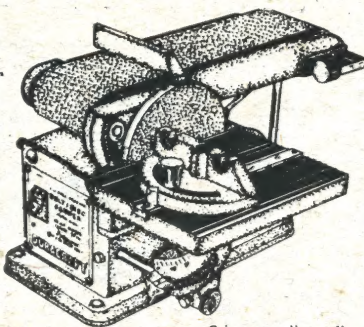


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"Granting Aruba budget aid would be creating a neo-Colonial relationship between Aruba and Holland-so Aruba would be placed under guardianship of Holland. This is unacceptable to Holland he said. Judging by the statements of the members of the Dutch Government stands at this very critical period for the Netherlands Antilles, and what are its intentions for the future.

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**CLOSURE OF LAGO REFINERY ...**

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ler boil in Lago Oil"). Now as Exxon gets ready to pull out, Royal Dutch/Shell has asked the local government for permission to cut personnel even more, for relief from "floor taxes" that must be paid whether the plant makes money or not, and for the government to buy half of the struggling refinery. Mr. Chance is bitter about it. "Exxon comes and tells you the American way 'I'm leaving' Shell tells you the European way, saying 'if you don't invest, I'm leaving. Either way it's the same thing' he said. The Antilles government is still considering Royal Dutch/Shell's requests, "but I wouldn't recommend we buy it", he said. The Netherlands Antilles is not alone in its predicament. Trinidad and Tobago agreed to buy Texaco Inc.'s money-losing production and refining operation there for \$175 million, because the alternative was no refinery at all and 3,400 local workers out of work. Dodderidge Alleyne, Trinidad's United Nations ambassador and lead negotiator in the

talks with Texaco, said he hopes the refinery, which now runs at about a sixth of its original capacity, will some day break even more a small profit. But asked how the government will do what Texaco couldn't he said, "look, Texaco came to us and said, 'we're closing down'. We didn't go to them and ask to buy it. So we haven't worked out all the details yet". But it is the Netherlands Antilles, with two dying refineries, that is in the most immediate danger. At the moment, though, neither the U.S. nor the Dutch governments are doing much to either avert the closings or help the Antilles prepare for a sudden drop in income! The U.S. held talks with the two companies, the Antilles and Venezuela, the refineries biggest supplier of crude oil, but beyond that sees the Antilles as a Dutch concern, said Robert Glass, in the State Department's Latin American Affairs Bureau. An official in the Dutch Embassy in Washington, who declined to be identified, said the Hague is "concerned" about the situation but must ultimately defer to the Antilles independence.

In Willemstad, the Antilles capital, Mr. Chance worries about the political problems that could stem from a precipitous fall in wealth. "if people become used to a certain lifestyle and suddenly it changes, you never know. Maybe some politicians will make an issue of it and then you have leftist problems on your hands", he says. "I am grateful for the time (the refineries) were here. But those who are laid off. I imagine they will be resentful" said Mr. Chance.



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**NEW ISLAND GOVERNMENT FORMED: TWO ...**

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tional" government with participation of three of the island's four political parties, as well as business and labor factions. Neither the political parties nor the business and labor representatives could reach an agreement with the M.E.P., the point of friction being the condition that M.E.P. leader Betico Croes relinquish the post of General Advisor to the Executive Council, a post which they claim is non-existent and unconstitutional. M.E.P.'s 12-seat representation in the Island Council has been revised due to the Island Constitution's provision that at least three of the government six Deputies must have a vote in the Island Council, being both Deputies and Island Council members. Nel Oduber John van der Kuyp, and

Grace Bareño will have the double function while M.E.P. Council members Hipolito Tromp and Joe Rasmijn placed their seats at the disposal of the party to accommodate former Deputy Marco Bislip and John van der Kuyp, M.E.P. says. Efraim de Kort, who had fulfilled the double-function in the previous government will maintain only his island

Council function. The division of the Executive Council portfolios is as follows:

Frank Croes; Public Health, Labor Affairs, Technical Inspection, Trade School, W.E.B., Public Works, Public Housing, and Information Service Milton Henriquez; Finance, Accountant Service, Computer Service, Island Tax, Collector's Office, continued on page 6

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**WIFE-BEATING ...**  
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a bill that would punish with 30 whiplashes "any male person who shall willfully beat, bruise or mutilate his wife." The bill failed when a majority of the state's lawmakers voted against it.

Battered wives not only found the legal deck stacked against them, they were also discouraged in other ways from complaining about the vicious physical violence their mates inflicted on them.

"You couldn't get police to arrest an abusive husband unless they actually saw the abuse happen," said Elizabeth Pleck, a visiting research scholar at Wellesley College's Center for Research on Women.

"Even if there was an arrest, judges didn't take wife-beating very seriously."

Moore went on to say "The attitude of many people toward the battered wife was: 'if you are getting beaten, then it's for something you're doing. It's your fault.'"

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# Heating Your Brain Can Help You Think Better

Heating the brain improves its functioning — and in the future people will don heating helmets in order to perform mental tasks more effectively, say experts.

Slightly increasing the brain's temperature helps people solve problems faster and more accurately, university experiments show.

In one test, 12 subjects added up rows of numbers while wearing an electrically heated helmet, helmets with no heat and also while not wearing helmets at all.

"The heated helmets raised their brain temperature by approximately 1 degree centigrade — and the subjects' speed increased significantly under the brain heating condition," said Dr. Peter Hancock, an assistant

professor in the University of Southern California's departments of safety science and human factors.

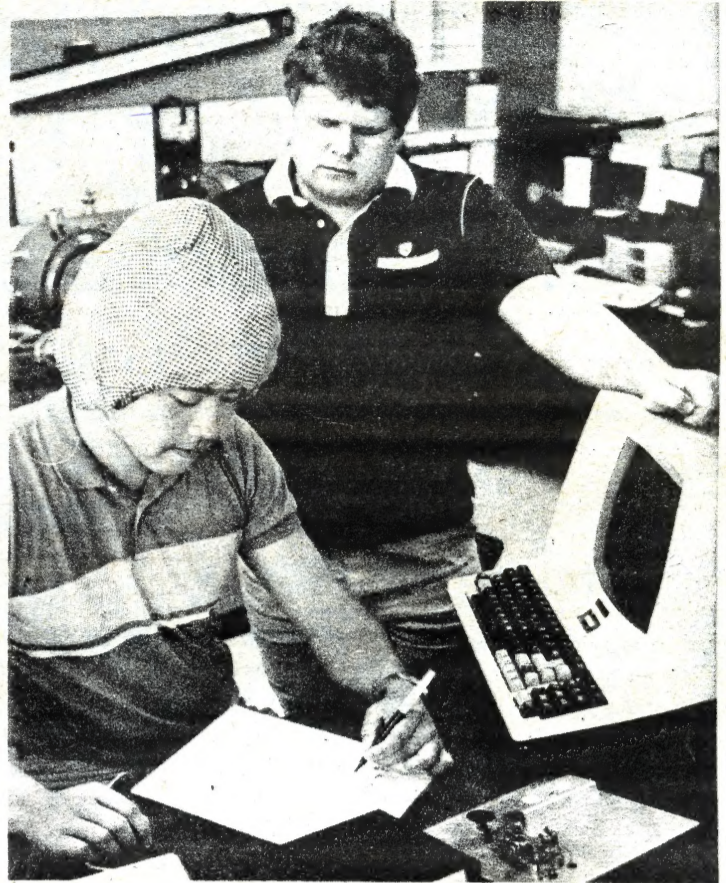
In a second experiment six subjects were told to watch flashing lights. When the lights flashed on, they had to quickly press a button indicating how many lights had flashed. While wearing the heated helmets they were far more accurate in pushing the correct button, Dr. Hancock said. Overall, he tested

a total of 50 subjects in these and two other experiments — and in all four tests they had better brain functioning while wearing the heated helmets than with the unheated helmets or no helmets at all.

"Intriguingly, heating the brain increases its capability — that's the exciting conclusion of my experiments," declared Dr. Hancock. However, raising the brain's temperature beyond 1 degree centigrade causes it to automatically lower its temperature back to normal, wiping out the advantages of brain heating.

"In the future," Dr. Hancock predicted, "heating units will elevate brain temperatures to improve cerebral capability."

People will be routinely using heating helmets "within 20 years," predicts Dr. Thomas A. Easton, who's a theoretical biologist at Thomas College in Water-



HEATING HELMET is tested by student Howard Arao as Dr. Peter Hancock looks on.

ville, Maine. "Surgeons will put on heating units just prior to operating in order to enhance their surgical skills," he declared.

Dr. Robert Amstadter, psy-

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